

Docket No.: 044084-0496 <u>PATENT</u>

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kyoko NAKAMURA

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Title: IMAGE EXTRACTING APPARATUS AND IMAGE EXTRACTING METHOD

## **RCE AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated March 13, 2006, Applicant submits this amendment and hereby requests continued examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and withdrawal of the final rejection. Please charge any fees due in connection with the request for continued examination to Deposit Account 500417.

Please amend the claims as follows: cancel claims 2, 9 and 12 without prejudice or disclaimer, amend claims 1 and 6, and add new claims 14-19. The aforementioned amendments to the claims are set forth in the "Amendments to the Claims" on pages 2 to 4 of this amendment.